

**California Horse Racing Board**

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**REPORT OF THE BOARD OF STEWARDS****Los Angeles Turf Club, Inc.**

Santa Anita Park, Arcadia, California

**TO THE CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD**

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**Report for the Week of Monday, June 1, 2020 through Sunday, June 7, 2020****WEDNESDAY**

6/3/20<sup>1</sup>

**ENTRIES AND SCRATCH DAY**

Steward Grant Baker was on duty to oversee entries for Saturday (75) and scratches for Friday (1).

**THURSDAY**

6/4/20<sup>1</sup>

**ENTRIES AND SCRATCH DAY**

Steward Grant Baker was again available to adjudicate any issues that may arise. Entries for Sunday (71) and scratches for Saturday (1) were approved. There were also two equipment adjustments, one owner change and one rider correction.

**FRIDAY**

6/5/20<sup>1</sup>

**FINLEY RULINGS ref 05-30-20 (3&4)**

After deliberation of the alleged violations in two different complaints filed against DR. JENNIFER FINLEY the following two rulings were issued.

**LATS RULING #088**

Veterinarian JENNIFER FINLEY is fined TWO HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$200.00) \* for one (1) violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1842 (Veterinarian Report – failure to provide) on December 9, 2018, at Santa Anita Park.

**LATS RULING #089**

Veterinarian JENNIFER FINLEY, is fined THREE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$300.00)\* for four (4) violations of California Horse Racing Board rule #1842 (Veterinarian Report – failure to provide) on January 27, 2019, February 3, 2019, February 4, 2019 and February 5, 2019 at Santa Anita Park.

6/5/20<sup>2</sup>

**JOCKEY FILM REVIEW**

RUBEN FUENTES joined the Stewards to review the use of his crop in the second race on Sunday. After verification he violated the crop rule and on the heels of a previous ruling (LATC

#078) he was issued the following penalty. He was also warned if he continues overuse of the crop, he will receive a suspension. This amended ruling shows the correct race number.

**AMENDED LATS RULING #090**

Jockey RUBEN FUENTES, is fined FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$500.00)\* for violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1688(b)(3) (Use of Riding Crop – excessive use), during the second race at Santa Anita Park on May 31, 2020.

UMBERTO RISPOLI met with the Stewards to review an incident in the second race on Sunday, May 31, 2020. In a 5 ½ furlong race on the turf turning for home MR. RISPOLI allowed his mount to shift out making solid contact with a horse to his outside (the eventual winner) knocking it off of its path. The majority felt this action was careless riding as listed in the ruling below. Steward Jauregui voted for no penalty.

**LATS RULING #091**

Jockey UMBERTO RISPOLI, who rode MYSTERY MESSENGER in the second race at Santa Anita Park on May 31, 2020, is suspended for THREE (3) racing days (June 12, 13 & 14, 2020), for altering course without sufficient clearance in the stretch and causing interference. This constitutes a violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1699 (Riding Rules – Careless Riding).

Pursuant to California Horse Racing Board rule #1766 (Designated Races), the term of suspension shall not prohibit participation in designated races.

6/5/20<sup>3</sup>

**DECLARATIONS, CHANGES AND REFUNDS**

1st race	#7 BIG FISH (Tr. D. Hofmans) Veterinarian-sick-Dr. Grande. Refund \$3,708.87
2nd race	No Change; Refund \$68.50
3rd race	#2 ROGALLO (Tr. J. Sadler) claimed by Tr. A. Lerner. Refund \$124.00
4th race	#1 SHANGHAI TRUFFLES (Tr. P. Gallagher) Veterinarian-injured-Dr. Stead #12 CLOCKSTRIKESTWELVE (Tr. P. Gallagher) A. Cedillo replaced J. Valdivia, Jr. (2 <sup>nd</sup> call). Refund \$1,156.10.
5th race	#2 TROMADOR (Tr. R. Hanson) claimed by Tr. R. Rosales #3 INCLUDE THE TAX (Tr. M. McCarthy) claimed by Tr. R.B. Hess Jr. #5 TIZALWAVES (Tr. A. Barba) ambulance removed post-race. Refund \$76.50
6th race	No Changes; Refund \$291.28
7th race	#1 ZEES EMPIRE (Tr. M. Harrington) J.C. Diaz replaced V. Flores (2 <sup>nd</sup> call) Refund \$2,371.40
8th race	#5 CONTAGION (Tr. D. O'Neill) claimed by Tr. A. Lerner. Refund \$60.00

6/5/20<sup>4</sup>

**DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE**

On track	0	\$191.10
SCOTWinc	565	\$193,864.07
Out of state + ADW	N/A	\$5,334,068.58
Total	565	\$5,528,123.75

**SATURDAY**

6/6/20<sup>1</sup>

**GARCIA RULING ref 05-31-20<sup>1</sup>**

The following ruling was issued after MR. GARCIA failed to appear for the scheduled hearing.

**LATS RULING #092**

Owner MARIO LOPEZ GARCIA, having failed to appear before the Board of Stewards at Santa Anita Park on June 5, 2020 to answer a complaint alleging violations of California Horse Racing Board Rules #1489 (a)(4) (Grounds for Denial or Refusal of License) and #1900 (Grounds for Suspension or Revocation) is suspended pursuant to California Horse Racing Board rule #1547 (Failure to Appear). Suspension to commence on June 13, 2020.

During the term of suspension, all licenses and license privileges of MARIO LOPEZ GARCIA are suspended and pursuant to California Horse Racing Board rule #1528 (Jurisdiction of Stewards to Suspend or Fine). Subject is denied access to all premises in this jurisdiction.

6/6/20<sup>2</sup>**GOOD RACING**

The eleven-race card was conducted without incident. Santa Anita Derby day program generated over a 14-million-dollar handle.

6/6/20<sup>3</sup>**DECLARATIONS, CHANGES AND REFUNDS**

1st race No Changes; Refund \$1,004.00  
 2nd race #5 ROMBAUER (Tr. M. McCarthy) Veterinarian-injured-Dr. Bohannon  
 Refund \$1,363.15  
 3rd race #3 HEARTFULOFSTARS (Tr. E. Alvarez) Veterinarian-unsound-Dr. Bohannon  
 Refund \$905.50  
 4th race No Changes; Refund \$19.50  
 5th race NO SHOW WAGERING; Refund \$215.63  
 6th race No Changes; Refund \$0  
 7th race No Changes; Refund \$237.50  
 8th race No Changes; Refund \$354.00  
 9th race #2 CLUB ASPEN (Tr. C. Lewis) Stewards-stake  
 #4 CONSTITUTIONAFFAIR (Tr. S. Callaghan) Stewards-stake.  
 Refund \$2,866.83  
 10<sup>th</sup> race No Changes; Refund \$0  
 11<sup>th</sup> race #6 TIME FOR EBBY (Tr. S. Knapp) claimed by Tr. J. Metz. Refund \$125.00

6/6/20<sup>4</sup>**DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE**

On track	0	\$2,420.40
SCOTWinc	1,038	\$477,459.75
Out of state + ADW	N/A	\$14,284,427.90
Total	1,038	\$14,764,308.05

**SUNDAY**6/7/20<sup>1</sup>**VALKO HEARING CASE 20SA0036**

The CHRB filed a complaint against veterinarian KAREN VALKO for a possible violation of CHRB rule 1842 (Veterinarian Report). Present for the recorded hearing before the BOS was Dr. Valko. She testified it was hard to remember that specific day in question as to why her confidential was not submitted. She did state that January 14, 2019 was a Monday (dark day). Only two of the ten confidential reports attached to the complaint were legible. After hearing testimony and having submitted the complaint package into evidence the hearing was closed. Dr. Valko was issued an official warning. As this was her first rule violation, according to the CHRIS printout, attached to the complaint.

6/7/20<sup>2</sup>**SHIRREFFS' MEETING (Ref: 5/31/20<sup>4</sup>)**

Trainer JOHN SHIRREFFS met with the Stewards to discuss his trainee "HARD NOT TO LOVE" who was "hard" to get to the gate in the seventh race (Santa Maria Stakes Grade III) on Sunday May 31, 2020. This one-eyed graded stake winner has been difficult in her previous starts to get to the starting gate on time. Mr. Shirreffs explained where he may have gone wrong with his strategy and feels adjustments in the future will make a difference. He will meet with the Stewards again before she races at Del Mar this summer.

6/7/20<sup>3</sup>**ORTIZ, JR. RULING**

IRAD ORTIZ, JR., participated in designated races, which required the following ruling to be issued.

**LATS RULING #093**

Jockey IRAD ORTIZ, JR., is suspended for ONE (1) additional RACING DAY (June 13, 2020) pursuant California Horse Racing Board rule #1766(g) (Designated Races – participated in designated races out of state on June 6, 2020).

6/7/20<sup>4</sup>

### **JOCKEY FILM REVIEW**

JORGE VELEZ met with the Stewards to review the second race yesterday where he was involved in incident coming off of the turn. He angled his horse out turning for home without sufficient clearance causing interference. His penalty is listed in the ruling below.

#### **LATS RULING #094**

Jockey JORGE VELEZ, who rode FOXBOROUGH in the second race at Santa Anita Park on June 6, 2020, is suspended for THREE (3) racing days (June 14, 19 & 20, 2020), for altering course without sufficient clearance in the stretch and causing interference. This constitutes a violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1699 (Riding Rules – Careless Riding).

Pursuant to California Horse Racing Board rule #1766 (Designated Races), the term of suspension shall not prohibit participation in designated races.

6/7/20<sup>5</sup>

### **POWELL RECORDED HEARING**

Having been served a security notice by Santa Anita Security per the Outriders, MR. POWELL called the Stewards to address the issue. The violation being, he entered the racetrack during the ten-minute work out period and went to the starting gate to school his horse that was not going to work out. Horses are not permitted to school during the designated ten-minute work out period. This policy has been implemented for over a year. His penalty is listed in the following ruling.

#### **LATS RULING #095**

Trainer LEONARD POWELL is fined FIFTY DOLLARS (\$50.00) \* for violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1437 (Conditions of a Race Meeting – entering track during workers only) at Santa Anita Park on June 3, 2020.

6/7/20<sup>6</sup>

### **HEADLEY RECORDED HEARING**

Santa Anita Security served a security notice to GUSTAV HEADLEY for not wearing a face mask while galloping. Mr. Headley was supposed to see the Stewards on May 31, 2020. He appeared after a reminder phone call was initiated. He had excuses which did not relieve him from culpability. Also, he had previously been warned by Security to wear a mask. His penalty is issued in the following ruling.

#### **LATS RULING #096**

Trainer GUSTAV HEADLEY is fined TWENTY-FIVE DOLLARS (\$25.00) \* for violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1437 (Conditions of a Race Meeting – failure to properly wear face mask) at Santa Anita Park on May 29, 2020.

6/7/20<sup>7</sup>

### **INQUIRY/NO CHANGE NINTH RACE 5 ½ dirt**

Following the running of the race the inquiry sign was posted to review an incident in the stretch run. Involved were #10 ANNA FANTASTIC (R. Fuentes 1<sup>st</sup>) and #8 LIBERALISM (U. Rispoli 2<sup>nd</sup>). After conversation with the Patrol Judge and both jockeys involved and a review of the available angles of the race in a unanimous decision the original order of finish was made official. The BOS announced that both horses contributed to the contact.

6/7/20<sup>8</sup>

### **VOIDED CLAIM**

After a physical examination by Official Veterinarian Nolton Pattio of #4 GOOD BYE PUTIN who performed in the first race, the horse was placed on the Veterinarian's List. The Stewards voided the claim and the horse was returned to the stable of trainer Carla Gaines.

6/7/20<sup>9</sup>

### **DECLARATIONS, CHANGES AND REFUNDS**

1st race	#1 SPECTATOR'S DREAM (Tr. J. Sierra) DNF
	#2 PRINCEOFTHENORTH (Tr. H. Palma) claimed by Tr. E. Truman
	#3 NEVER EASY (Tr. R. Mandella) claimed by tr. A. Lerner
	#4 GOOD BYE PUTIN (Tr. C. Gaines) claimed by Tr. P. Aguirre <b>VOID</b>
	#6 TRUTH SEEKER (S. Miyadi) Veterinarian-sick-Dr. Grande. Refund \$3,608.26
2nd race	#4 WHOA NESSIE (Tr. R. Hanson) claimed by Tr. R.B. Hess Jr. Refund \$4.00

3rd race No Changes; Refund \$5.00  
 4th race No Changes; Refund \$169.88  
 5th race #4 SUMMER APPARITION (Tr. J. Cassidy) DNF. Refund \$424.50  
 6th race #1 Dark Prince (Tr. B. Baffert) Veterinarian-injured-Dr. Grande.  
 Refund \$2,365.64  
 7th race No Changes; Refund \$468.30  
 8th race No Changes; Refund \$96.00  
 9th race #5 APACHE PASS (Tr. M. Glatt) Veterinarian-injured-Dr. Grande.  
 Refund \$1,584.44

6/7/20<sup>10</sup>

**DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE**

On track	0	\$2,111.50
SCOTWinc	732	\$292,379.92
Out of state + ADW	N/A	\$8,818,376.35
Total	732	\$9,112,867.77

**VETERINARIAN REPORT – WEEK OF 6/2/20 TO 6/7/20**

Horses on Vet List 18  
 Horses off Vet List 4  
 Shock Wave Therapy 5  
 Fatalities 1  
 Medication 0

**SUMMARY**

	<b>Fri 6/5</b>	<b>Sat 6/6</b>	<b>Sun 6/7</b>	<b>Week</b>	<b>Meet</b>
<b>Accidents</b>	0	0	0	0	5
<b>Cal-Bred Races</b>	1	3	2	6	90
<b>Claims</b>	5	1	3	9	132
<b>Disqualifications</b>	0	0	0	0	12
<b>Inquiries</b>	0	0	1	1	24
<b>Refunds</b>	8	10	9	27	301
<b>Rulings</b>	4	1	4	9	95
<b>Voided Claims</b>	0	0	1	1	12

Respectfully submitted,

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 Kim Sawyer, Steward

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 Luis Jauregui, Steward

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 Grant W. Baker, Steward

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 David Nuesch, Safety Steward

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